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The Archbishop of Dublin's

C A S E.



THAT the *Act of Settlement* in Ireland, upon the Restoration of King Charles II. taking Notice of the Rebellion there in 41. and of the Estates Forfeited by such Rebellion, Enacts, That so much should be added as an Augmentation to the Archbishoprick of Dublin, as should make the same 2000 l. per An. which should be Set out by Commissioners appointed for that Purpose.

That, Pursuant to the said Act, 2000 l. per An. was Set out : Of which, 437 Acres, the Estate of Christopher Russell, then Adjudged and Taken to be Forfeited, was Part of.

That afterwards, there being some Doubt whether the said Russell had any Estate therein, more than for his own Life, the said 437 Acres were not Granted to the Archbishop, but only Committed to him, in Custodiam : Under which, nevertheless, the Archbishop quietly Enjoy'd the same till 1688.

That upon King James II's coming to the Crown, (the said Christopher Russell being then Dead) Bartholomew Russell, his Son and Heir, Claimed the same in Remainder, as not Forfeited by his Father but for his Life. And although such Pretence was never Legally Made out, yet, by the Opinion of the then Papist Judges, he had Judgment given for him : Under which he held the same till the late Revolution, when the said Bartholomew was also Attainted.

18 Sept. sexto
W. & M. That the Government of Ireland, by the Recovery of the said Christopher Russell, being Indebted to the Archbishoprick ; what thereby the Estate intended by the *Act of Settlement* fell short of 2000 l. per An. and the Government Bound by the *Act of Settlement* to make the same Good, His late Majesty King William, in Consideration thereof, and out of his Piety and Care for the Church, did, by his Letters Patents, Grant the Lands so Forfeited, to Narcissus then Archbishop, and his Successors, for Ever. By Virtue of which, the said Bishop and his Successors held and enjoy'd the same till the late *Act of Reassumption*.

That the Trustees under the said *Act of Reassumption* ^{for doing} Adjudging the said Lands ^{as} to be Forfeited, the said Narcissus applied himself to the Parliament of England for Relief therein, but had no Success, and sometime afterwards Died. ^{was removed to} ^{London}

That the said Lands thereupon being expos'd to Sale, the present Archbishop, for preventing the same from falling into other Hands, made a Purchase thereof, and had 1000 l. allowed him in such Purchase, by the said Trustees, upon his Promise, That he would endeavour (upon his being Reimbursed) to get the same Annex'd to the said Archbishoprick, as was intended by the said *Act of Settlement*.

That the present Archbishop actually Paid for the same, in English Debentures, the Sum of 2917 l. 5 s. 1 d. 4. Which with the Allowances of 187 l. 14 s. 10 d. 3. made up the Purchase 3105 l.

That the present Archbishop, looking upon himself to be bound in Conscience to Make good his Promise, hath Preferr'd his Bill in Parliament for that Purpose.

That in regard the same will be no Detriment to England, the said Archbishop only Desiring to be Repaid in the same Manner and Specie that the said Money was Paid by him, and to Relinquish the Interest thereof till Michaelmas last ; by which England will be so much a Gainer, and the Debentures Discharg'd by the Archbishop now only Reviv'd ;

Humbly Prays the said BILL may Pass.

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